

Military Privatization and Housing: Information for Military Families on Hawaii Public Schools

As a result of the current and ongoing military housing privatization and renovations, military families will continue to be relocated to other available housing on and off base over the next several years. The information below is a suggested guideline for military families in addressing the impact of housing movements and public schools.



Question: My family will be moving out of on base housing to another housing location on/off base. What can I do to prepare?

- 1) If you will be moving to another school district, it is recommended that you notify the current school that your child will be moving to another school.
- 2) Find out which new school your child will be attending. If the school is unable to provide the information, please contact your service School Liaison Officer:

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Marines	Amy Madsen	630-8281	amy.madsen@usmc.mil
Navy	Ruth Davis	474-1999 x6316	Ruth.Davis2@Navy.Mil

- 3) Contact the new home school and register your child as soon as possible. (The “home school” is the school in the attendance area where your child resides and would be going to for next school year without an approved Geographic Exception [GE]).

Please bring the following items with you:

	What to bring	Notes
1	Student Health Record (form 14)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Health requirements (Dept of Health) Immunization requirements (Dept of Health) <p>1. Physical exam must have been taken in past 12 months. Appointment slip/date is acceptable for conditional admission. Military may take out-of-state physical results and shot record to base/post clinic to have them transcribed to Hawaii Form 14.</p> <p>2. Immunizations must be up to date. Signed statement from physician indicating student has begun vaccination series and is waiting for the next dose in the series is acceptable for conditional admission.</p> <p>3. TB test must have been taken in past 12 months. Schools require the following information: date TB test was given, date TB test was read, size of the mark (0.0mm), and physicians signature.</p>
2	Birth certificate	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Passport or student visa if from a foreign country.

3	Proof of current address	<p>What constitutes "proof of current address?"</p> <p>Rental/lease agreement, mortgage document or current real property assessment, current utility bill (water, electric, gas or telephone), or military housing assignment document. Documents must have parent/guardian's name. See above link if address is not owned/rented by parent/guardian.</p>
4	Legal documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Power of Attorney if not living with parents.
5	Documents from previous school	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Special Education Individual Education Plan (IEP) • Release packet from the previous school which includes an unofficial transcript or latest report card.
6	Other	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inhaler and EpiPen Consent form

(Information from the DOE Website: [Registering for School](#), <http://doe.k12.hi.us/register/index.htm>, July 11, 2006.)



Question: I would like my child to continue attending the school he/she currently attends. What do I need to do?

- 1) Communicate with the school. Let them know that you are interested in having your child remain at the same school. Schools will make every attempt to allow students impacted by current military housing privatization and renovations to be given an *extension* and remain at the school until the end of the current school year.
- 2) Some schools, may request for you to submit a *Geographic Exception* (GE) form to the school. (For information on the GE policy and a GE application, visit the DOE website at: <http://doe.k12.hi.us/ge/index.htm> or ask your school for more information) Again, it is highly recommended that you communicate with the school when you are notified of your housing status and work with the school administration.



Question: What is the difference between a school granting my child an “extension” versus a “Geographic Exception (GE)?”

Essentially, if students are displaced from one school to another due to the privatization of military housing and construction renovations, the general understanding is that:

Extensions

- a. Schools will make every attempt to grant an extension and allow the student to remain until the end of the current school year.
- b. An extension is not automatically guaranteed and is dependent on a number of factors including, but not limited to: the current school student enrollment, student capacity, time of the school year, etc. Requests are reviewed on a case by case basis, and it is highly recommended that parents notify and work with the school. Schools will make every attempt to accommodate the student if possible.
- c. If an extension to attend the current school is granted, the accommodation is in effect until the end of the current school year. The student will be required to attend their appropriate ‘home school’ effective the next school year.

Geographic Exceptions

- a. Parents interested in their child attending a school other than the ‘home school’ must submit a GE application to the school of their choice. If possible, it is highly recommended that GE applications be submitted to the school of interest during the open enrollment period from January 1 - March 1 for review for the upcoming school year. Applications are reviewed and granted according to the GE policy guidelines and Student Priority Ranking. :
 - School Priority Ranking is in accordance with the No Child Left Behind (NCLB) Act which allows children in low-performing schools the option to transfer to another public school. Priority is given to students who score the lowest on their report card grades in Reading/English and Mathematics and who receive free and reduced-price lunch.
 - Parents of a child with a disability should ask the school office for a copy of the “***Fact Sheet: NCLB and Students with a Disability***.” This fact sheet has more information for parents on NCLB and students with a disability.
- b. GE applications are accepted outside of the open enrollment period, and are reviewed by schools on a ‘space availability’ basis following the same GE policy guidelines and Student Priority Ranking.
- c. GE’s are permanent and granted until the end of the student’s terminal (final) year at the school.
- d. GE’s are granted on the basis of an individual student, and does not apply to every child in the family. **Applications must be submitted for each child, to each school of interest.**
- e. For information on the GE policy and a GE application, visit the DOE website at: <http://doe.k12.hi.us/ge/index.htm> or ask your school for more information.



Question: Is student bus transportation provided for students on GE or extensions?

If a child is granted an extension or a GE, student transportation to and from the school is provided by the parent. Parents may want to consider other forms of transportation such as the public bus and carpooling with other families.



Question: My child was granted an extension until the end of the current school year and I would like my child to attend the same school next year. What do I need to do?

Extensions granted due to military housing displacement are effective until the end of the current school year. In general, parents need to submit a GE application to the school of interest for the next school year. Please see the section above on “*Geographic Exceptions*.”



Other resources that may assist you:

DOE Hawaii website: <http://doe.k12.hi.us/>

AMFAS website: <http://militaryfamily.k12.hi.us/>
(Aloha Military Families and Students)